

June 29, 1951 8-17

SUBJECT: Lost Bag of Father Marcel MEHARD S.J.

1. As already verbally reported, Father MEHARD, a Jesuit Father from Canada visiting Austria en route to Rome, lost his suitcase on May 27, 1951, during a trip from Hinterkirchen (Upper Austria) to Salzburg. Upon his arrival at Salzburg, Father MEHARD informed both the Prefect Marshal and the Austrian Police, and asked that the lost property should be turned over to Father van COTTEN, since he himself had to leave for Rome.

The suitcase contained clothing of Father MEHARD, a mass robe, some books and letters addressed to him (partly care of Father van COTTEN).

2. Father van COTTEN applied for our help in finding and returning said suitcase.

Shortly afterwards, information was received that said suitcase on May 28 had been handed in to CIC Brenzen. Although Father van COTTEN's address could be found on several letters (as described in para.1) and although an advert had appeared in 'Salzburger Nachrichten', no notice was given.

3. I, yesterday, submitted a letter written by Father MEHARD from Rome, dated June 8, 1951, addressed to CIC Brenzen, asking for a return and thanking for the trouble taken.

4. You informed me yesterday that you had received notice that CIC had returned said suitcase to Father MEHARD to CIC Linz. This statement cannot be correct, since Father MEHARD is still in Rome and has not received the suitcase and contents.

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As I was informed on June 19, above actions
indicated a letter from a certain Berlin JAHN addressed
to a certain GRIMMINGER in West Berlin. This letter allegedly
contained a compilation of intelligence and terror
information concerning the government. Father HIRSHORN had received much
information from Berlin JAHN, who is serving as chairman
of the Germania chapter in Berlin and should have
delivered this letter to his GRIMMINGER at home.
Please recall the said letter written by Father HIRSHORN
to the committee. Above Berlin JAHN is not identified
as an Israeli. Harvard University claims a employee of
the same.